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IN UNATTRIBUTED COMMENTARY ON NUMBER OF ISSUES, L'ORIENT
LE JOUR AUG 21 PRINTED FOLLOWING AS PART OF VIEW OF LEBANESE
SITUATION AS IT AFFECTS POSITION OF PRESIDENT-ELECO SARKIS:
"HE (SARKIS) APPEARS TO HAVE THE ADVANTAGE OF A FAVORABLE
OPINION ON THE PART OF THE WESTERN GREAT POWERS, PARTICULARLY
THE UNITED STATES, WHOSE LAST AMBASSADOR, FRANCIS MELOY, WAS
ASSASSINATED ON JUNE 16 WHILE EN ROUTE TO MEET THE PRESIDENT-
ELECT. IT HAS SUBSEQUENTLY BEEN LEARNED ("ON AVAIT ALORS
APPRIS") THAT THE AMBASSADOR'S LETTERS OF CREDENCE WERE
ADDRESSED TO MR. SARKIS." REST OF ARTICLE DEALS WITH
UNRELATED MATTERS.
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